

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, in the center of the page between the title and the first paragraph, please insert the heading: "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION".

At page 2, in the center of the top of the page, please insert the heading: "BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION".

At page 4, in the center the page between the second paragraph and the third paragraph, please insert the heading: "BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SEVERAL VIEWS OF THE DRAWING".

At page 4, in the center of the page between the third paragraph and the fourth paragraph, please insert the heading: "DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION".

Please amend the abstract as follows:

A spark plug is disclosed. The spark plug has ~~Spark plug with an, in particular ceramic,~~  
a ceramic insulator body and a center electrode, ~~wherein said center electrode is that is~~  
housed at least partially in a bore in said the insulator body, ~~said center electrode being~~  
~~sealed off from said insulator body—preferably exclusively—~~ The center electrode is  
sealed off from the insulator body by at least one sealing ring surrounding said the  
center electrode, ~~said sealing ring containing~~ that contains material that is plastically  
deformable by compression.

Please amend the title of the invention as follows:

SPARK PLUG WITH SEALING RING AROUND CENTER ELECTRODE